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1. INDOCHINA

WP'S MARDER REPORTS AMEMBASSY PARIS MONDAY RECEIVED NVN
REPLY TO US MARCH 26 OFFER TO START TALKS. MESSAGE
CALLED HARD LINE, NEGATIVE IN MANY RESPECTS, BUT DOES NOT
CLOSE DOOR TO DISCUSSIONS; BEING STUDIED BY US OFFICIALS.
ADMIN SOURCES SAY NOTE LESS CAUSTIC THAN "NHAN DAN"
EDITORIAL THAT FOLLOWED US OFFER, BUT ALSO PORTRAYED
VN AS AGGRIEVED PARTY. REVIEWS "NHAN DAN" EDITORIAL,
NOTES EMPHASIS ON US AID THAT ADMIN HAS RENOUNCED SINCE
C-F "GROSSLY VIOLATED." QUOTES SOURCE THAT DESPITE
"NHAN DAN" LANGUAGE, OFFICIAL HANOI MESSAGE REFERRED TO
POSTWAR AID WITHOUT STATING IT WAS PRECONDITION TO
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TALKS. MARDER ALSO MENTIONS PENDING LEGISLATION IN
CONGRESS TO LIFT US EMBARGO FOR 6 MOS.

MCGOVERN TELLS SFRC THAT NVN OFFICIALS SAID NIXON

PROMISED HAOI 3.25 BILLION IN AID. QUOTES WH OFFICIALS THAT REVIEW EX-PRES' CORRESPONDENCE FAILS FIND MENTION SPECIFIC FIGURE. SEN ADDS COULD OFFER NO EXPLANATION FOR DISCREPANCY (AP, NYDN,).

PP RADIO ANNOUNCES NEW GOVT HEADED BY KHEIU SAMPHAN FORMED, WITH IENG SARY AS FONMIN (WP; AP, SUN), SON SEN AS DEFMIN; RELATIVELY UNKNOWN TOL SAT, REP RUBOER PLANTATION WORKERS IN NATL ASSY, NAMED PFEMIE (W,).

LAOTIAN GOVT CONTINUES ARRESTS DRUG ADDICTS, PROSTITUTES, REEDUCATION SEMINAR DROPOUTS, BRINGING TOTAL DETAINED SINCE FRI TO 1200 (AP, SN; WP). WORKING FROM EXTENSIVE LISTS, PL ARRESTS "SOCIAL UNDESIRA0LES," SEARCHES FOR FORMER REGIME SOLDIERS WHO ESCAPED FROM RE-EDUCATION CAMPS. MOST ARRESTED TAKEN TO REMOTE I"LAND FOR "RE-EDUCATION." DIP OBSERVERS UNDECTDED WHETHER CLEANUP REPRESENTS NEW DIRECTION FOR PL; SOME TNDICATION THAT GOVT HAS GROWN IMPATIENT WIT"WESTERNIZED ELEMENTS,' INSURGENCY THAT SOME FORMER SOLDIERS HAVE JOINED (AP, SUN).

2. CHINA

ACCORDING CSM ITEM, US MIL-INTELL ANALYSTS FEEL TENG'S OUSTER MAY LEAD TO DOWNSLIDE IN PLA OFFICER CORPS PROFESSIONAL CALIBER, SINCE TENG USUALLY STRESSED MIL PROFESSIONALISM OVER POLITICAL ORTHODOXY.

REUTER (TOKYO) CTES NCNA REPORT THAT TENG TURNED DEAF EAR TO STUDENTS WHO URGED HE UNDERGO SELF-CRITICISM AT MEETINY SHORTLY PEFERE HIS DISMISSAL LAST WEEK. SAYS TENG TOLD STUDENTS, "T'M AN OLD MAN HARD OF 'EARING. I CANNOT UNDERSTAND AT ALL WHAT YOU ARE SAYING., THIS 'RALLY OF CRITICIZING TENG" WAS REPORTEDLY SPONSORED BY CHIEF OF PEKING CITY FEVOLUTIONARY CMTE, WU TE, ATTENDED BY MANY TEACHERS, STUDENTS OF CHING HUA U. KYODO QUOTES INFORMED SOURCES SAYING RALLY BELIEVED UNCLASSIFIED

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TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE AT EITHER CHING HUA U OR GREAT HALL OF PEOPLE WEEK OR TWO BEFORE APR 5 RIOTING; PARTICIPANTS LISTED TENG'S FAULTS, DEMANDED HIS SELF-CRITICISM. KYODO SAYS WORD OF MEETING PASSED TO MAO, AND BEYOND DOUBT THAT TENG'S ATTITUDE WAS DECISIVE FACTOR IN DECISION REMOVE HIM FROM ALL POSTS.

REUTER'S ROGERS, AT CHINGHUNG, REPORTS ANTI-TENG CAMPAIYN HAS NOW STRETCHED TO PRC'S REMOTE SW JUNGLES; FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS TRAVELLING TO REMOTE BORDER TOWN ON MEKONG SAW WALL POSTERS/CARTOONS ASSAILING TENG.

LHASA RADIO REPORTED WEDNESDAY THAT RALLY OF 30,000 WAS

HELD IN TIBETAN CAPITAL LAST WEEK IN SUPPORT OF MAO AND
TENG'S DISMISSAL (REUTER NEW DELHT).

UPI (CAIRO) REPORTS PRC WILL BUILD BRICK FACTORY
FOR EGYPT UNDER AGREEMENT SIGNED TUESDAY. EGYPTIAN
OFFICIALS SAID PEKING WILL PROVIDE EQUIPMENT, OTHER
SERVICES, FOR CONSTRUCTION AT COST OF ABOUT 2 MILLION
DOLS PLEDGED AS INTEREST-FREE LOAN REPAYABLE IN
INSTALLMENTS AFTER FIVE-YEAR GRACE PERIOD (JOC). SADAT
RETURNED HOME TUESDAY FROM EUROPEAN TOUR AFTER ANNOUNCING
EGYPTIAN DELEGATION WILL VISIT PRC SOON, APPARENTLY
IN SEARCH OF MTL EQUIPMENT, SPARE PARTS, FOR SOVIET-
BUILT MIG JETS (SUN).

GROC OFFICIALS SAY TELEPHONES SPREADING AT RATE OF 25
PCT YEARLY, AND THERE WILL BE 17 PHONES TO EVERY 100
PERSONS (OR THREE MILLION PHONES) IN TAIWAN BY 1981
(AP, NYT).

3. JAPAN

JOC (TOKYO) SAYS ITI MIN KOMOTO TOLD PRESS TUESDAY JAPAN
DOES NOT INTEND REACH AGREEMENT IN BILATERAL SPECIALTY
STEEL TALKS WITH US THIS WEEK. WILL ASK US SIDE REVEAL
"REAL INTENTIONS" OF ADMIN PROPOSAL, PROVE JAPANESE
SPECIALTY STEEL EXPORTS DISPUTED US MARKET. ADDED
JAPAN WILL NOT DECIDE OWN POSITION UNTIL SEES RESULTS
US TALKS WITH EUR STEELMAKERS.
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SEC SAID TUESDAY LOCKHEED AGREED TO CONSENT DECREE THAT
SETTLED COMPLAINT FIRM FAILED REPORT MILLIONS DOLS
ILLEGAL PAYMENTS TO FOREIGN OFFICIALS PAST SEVEN YEAR".
WITHOUT ADMITTING, OR DENYING CHARGES, FIRM ACCEPTED
PERMANENT INJUNCTION AGAINST FURTHER VIOLATION US
SECURITIES LAWS. ALSO AGREED FORM SPECTAL CMTE,
SATISFACTORY TO SEC, TO PROBE CHARGES, REPORT RESULTS
TO FIRM'S DIRECTORS, US COURT, AND SEC (REUTER, NYDN).

FORMER LOCKHEED EXECUTIVE HOGHTON, KOTCHIAN ALSO SIGNED
CONSENT DECREE (PERRY, W.). NAMES FOREIGN OFFICIALS
NOT DISCLOSED, BUT DECREE SEEMED CONFIRM, FOR FIRST
TIME, REPORTS PAYMENTS MADE DIRECTLY TO FOREIGN GOVT
OFFICIALS, WELL AS THROUGH AGENTS (HERSHEY NYT;
ARIDGED IN SUN).

SEC'S HILLS SIMULTANEOUSLY ANNOUNCED SETTLEMENT IN
SPEECH IN LA (DJ SVC, PHINQ). COURT DOCUMENTS HINT
SEC ALSO PROBING WHETHER LOCKHEED MADE DIRECT,
OR INDIRECT ILLEGAL PAYMENTS IN US (SANSEET, WSJ,
BURPAHK).

JOC SAYS NISSAN PLANS 4 MILLION DOL INVESTMENT
EXPAND ASSEMBLY PLANT IN CUERNAVACA, "AS EXPRESSION
OF CONFIDENCE" IN POLITICAL, FINANCIAL STABILITY MEXICO.
NISSAN-MEXICANA EXEC SAID FIRM AIMS INCREASE CURRENT
PRODUCTION TO 35,000 CARS/PICKUP TRUCKS PER YEAR, AND
TYPE-J ENGINES FROM 20,000 TO 50,000, MOST FOR EXPORT.

TOYOTA SAID TUESDAY JFY 75 OUTPUT WAS RECORD 2.3
MILLION UNITS; EXPORTED NEARLY MILLION UNITS, 15.6
PCT MORE THAN YEAR BEFORE. US BIGGEST EXPORT
MARKET, FOLLOWED BY AUSTRALIA, SAUDI ARABIA, BELGIUM.
NISSAN ALSO SAID SET PRODUCTION RECORD 2.1 MILLION
UNITS, EXPORTED RECORD 975,00 VEHICLES, TO US, UK,
SAUDIA ARABIA (RETER, WP).

CULLISON (JOC) SAYS DOCK WORKERS' STRIKE CONTINUED
TUESDAY, CLOSED ALL CONTAINER PIERS AND YARDS.

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SEAMEN'S UNION TUESDAY SAID VOTES BY MEMBERS AT SEA
AROUND WORLD FAVOR MASSIVE STRIKE, WITHIN WEEK OR TWO,
TO BACK DEMANDS FOR 102 DOL/MO AGE INCREASE (JOC, TOKYO).

PRIVATE RR WORKERS REJECTED SIX-PCT PAY RAISE OFFERED
TUESDAY NIGHT; STRUCK NINE MAJOR PRIVATE LINES, FORCING
19 MILLION COMMUTERS WALK, OR DRIVE TO WORK WEDNESDAY
(REUTER TOKYO).

JCP WEDNESDAY RELEASED 'LIST' 196 PAST, PRESENT CIA
"AGENTS" INCLUDING 93 NOIN JAPAN DEMANDED THEIR
WITHDRAWAL, DENOUNCED CIA "CONSPIRATORIAL INTERFERENCE."
SAID LIST WOULD SERVE AS 'IMPORTANT CLUE' BARING
ALLEGED CIA INVOLVEMENT LOCKHEED SCANDAL, AND
INTERFERENCE IN DOMESTIC POLITICS.

4. PHILIPPINES

FONMIN ROMULO CALLS ON PRFS TO DISCUSS NEW AGREEMENT
ON 2 MAJOR US MIL BASES IN PHILS (RETER ASHINGTON
3,4/13).

WEDNESDAY LIBYA GRANTED FIL HIJACKERS ASYLUM, PAL PLANE
AND HOSTAGES RELEASED AFTER GUNMEN HAD THREATENED BLOW
ALL UP AT BENGHAZI (REUTER MANILA). EARLIER, FIL
HIJACKERS ORDERED LEAVE LIBYA AFTER ARRIVAL FROM KARACHI.

GOVT OFFICIALS REFUSED ALLOW ANYONE DISEMBARK. GUNMEN
ASKED SPEAK TO QADDAFI (WP).

DOMINICAN GOVT CHARGE PHILS DRIVING DOWN SUGAR PRICE
PY RECENT SALES TO US, SETTING STAGE FOR WORLDWIDE

PRICE WAR (NYT).

5. INDONESIA/TIMOR

AT UN, PORTUGAL ACCUSES INDO TROOPS BEING "ILLEGALLY PRESENT" IN E TIMOR, ISOLATING TERRITORY FROM REST WORLD. DEPLORES UN NOT ABLE END INDO OCCUPATION THAT PREVENTED PEOPLE EXERCISING RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION; URGES INTL ACTION TO RESTORE RIGHT UNCLASSIFIED

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(NYT SPECIAL).

6. PAPUA-NEW GUINEA

IN HIGHLANDS, TRIBAL BATTLE BEGINS OVER RUNAWAY PIG, 500 WARRIORS FIGHT, 2 KILLED (RFUTER, WP).

7. AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

IN SYDNEY, AUSSIES, AMERICANS PLAN 220 EVENTS FOR CELEBRATION US BICENTENNTAL; CO-PATRONS ARE PM FRASER, AMB HARGROVE (UPI, STLP-D 4/11).

SYDNEY BUSINESSMAN SAYS HAD BURIED PEKING MAN FOSSILS ON TASMANIA, WANTS 2 MILLION DOLS TO REVEAL LOCATION. SAYS IF DEMANDS NOT MET, WILL DONATE BONES TO AUSSIE MUSEUM. GROUP AMCITS TRYING RECOVER RELICS, RETURN TO CHINA ,UPI, NYT).

AGRIC SECY BUTZ, IN WELLINGTON SPEECH, SAYS US READY NEGOTIATE IMPORT QUOTAS ON DAIRY PRODUCTS, MEAT, WOOL. URGES NZ INCREASE EXPORTS SPECIALTY CHEESES TO US RATHER THAN CHEDDARS THAT SUBJECT TO QUOTAS (REUTER, WP).

8. LOS

PRES SIGNED 200-MILE FISHERIES ZONE BILL TUESDAY. SAID "SLOW PACE" UN LOS NEGOTIATIONS "MANDATED OUR COURSE OF ACTION" (AP, SN).

9. GENERAL

BUTZ DEPARTED SUNDAY FOR 20-DAY TOUROF 10 NATIONS TO DISCUSS WHEAT, PEEF, PALM OIL. STOPPING NZ, AUSTRALIA,

INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE FOR AG ATTACHE CONFERENCE; THEN ON TO EUR (UPI, STLP-D 4/11).

PRES IN DILEMMA AS FACES APR 20 DEADLINE TO DECIDE WHAT DO ON FOOTWEAR IMPORTS; POSSIBILITY IS 'VOLUNTARY

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RESTRAINTS" BY MAJOR EXPORTERS TAIWAN, ITALY, SPAIN, PRAZIL. RECENTLY TOLD JAPAN, EC, SWEDEN, CANADA THAT WOULD LIMIT SPECIALTY STEEL IMPOPTS IF THEY DID NOT MODERATE STEEL SHIPMENTS (LAWRENCE, JOC).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

10. JAPAN

LAT TV CRITIC CECIL SMITH (4/10) CALLS NBC PRESENTATION THURSDAY NIGHT OF DAVID SUSSKIND-HALLMARK PRODUCTION 'TRUMAN AT POTSDAM' GOOD THEATER, INTERESTING HISTORY. BASED ON MEES' CONTROVERSIAL BOOK, 'MEETING AT POTSDAM,' TREATMENT LEAVES LITTLE DOUBT TRUMAN MORE INVOLVED IN POLITICS THAN ANYTHING ELSE IN DECISION DROP A-BOMB, END WAR WITH JAPAN QUICKLY, BLOCK STALIN'S AMBITIONS.

JOC'S LEACH (4/12) REVIEWS MAJOR STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN WORLD COMPUTER INDUSTRY, THAT WILL PRODUCE STRONG COMPETITION IN MARKETS LONG DOMINATED BY US FIRMS. BUT LITTLE DOUBT IBM WILL MAINTAIN MARKET SHARE ABROAD DURING NEXT FEW YEARS, DUE MOSTLY TO SUPERLATIVE SALES, SERVICE NETWORK, AND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.

JANEWAY (CHITRIB 4/12) SEES JAPAN MOVING TO FIND OWN SOLUTION FOR HIGH OIL PRICES, AFTER THREE-YR WAIT, IN VAIN, FOR US PROVIDE PASSAGE BACK TO ECONOMIC VIABILITY.

FINDS JAPANESE UNAFRAID ADMIT THEIR ECONOMY IN DEEP TROUBLE, MAKING REALISTIC MOVES TRADE THEIR WAY OUT, INSTEAD OF WAITING FOR TIME CURE COMPLAINTS, OR TREATING THEM AS DOMESTIC DISLOCATIONS -- AS ADMIN ASKS AMERICANS DO.

JANEWAY (WSTAR 4/11) NOTES MASSIVE BORROWINGS BY JAPAN NOW FINANCE RETRENCHMENT, AND RESTRUCTURING OF INDUSTRY TO INCREASE EXPORTS, UNLIKE EARLIER TIME WHEN PAID FOR GROWTH THAT INJECTED LIQUIDITY AROUND DEVELOPING WORLD. STATES AMERICANS WATCHING UNCLASSIFIED

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CONTRACTION FROM SANCTUARY OF UNIQUE CONTINENTAL ECONOMY, BUT IF JAPAN DROPS SECOND SHOE -- MASSIVE

DUMPING, TO PAY FOR HIGHER OIL COSTS -- WOULD HIT US ECONOMY BODY BLOW HARD ENOUGH STOP RECOVERY.

STLP-D (4/11) CARRIES AP TOKYO REPORT ON JAPAN'S 120,000 'STRIDENTLY VOCAL' RIGHT-WINGERS, ORGANIZED INTO 550 GROUPS, AND 'HIDDEN, ROMANTIC' LONERS WHOM POLICE SAY LIKELY ACT WITH VIOLENCE WHEN RELEASE PENT UP EMOTIONS. LIKE MAENO, WHO FLEW KAMIKAZE MISSION AGAINST KODAMA HOME, THUS REVIVING WWII GHOST JAPANESE PREFER FORGET.

GLOBE'S SHAUGHNESSY (4/13) TELLS HOW 46-YR OLD RABBI RICHARD ISRAEL MADE FRIENDS WITH 65-YR OLD RETIRED CIVIL SERVANT TOMIJI YAMAMOTO, RUNNING IN BOSTON MARATHON ON PATRIOT'S DAY LAST YEAR. YAMAMOTO WOULDN'T LET ISRAEL DROP OUT. THIS YEAR, RABBI WILL PUT FRIEND UP AT HOME, AS BOTH PREPARE RUN MARATHON IN 3 HRS, 30 MIN.

REUTER (TOKYO) REVIEWS PUBLIC STATEMENTS BY LEADERS OF FRENCH, SPANISH CP'S, CARRILLO AND MARCHAIS, WHO VISITED JAPAN MARCH, APRIL, AT INVITATION JCP CHAIRMAN MIYAMOTO. ALL THREE BOYCOTTED RECENT CPSU 25TH CONGRESS IN MOSCOW, INSIST PRINCIPLES OF INDEPENDENCE, NON-INTERFERENCE SHOULD GOVERN RELATIONS AMONG CP'S. IN TOKYO MEETINGS, CONFIRMED CLOSE BASIC AGREEMENT ON HOW BUILD SOCIALISM IN DEVELOPED CAPITALIST NATIONS. ALL THREE ACKNOWLEDGED HAVE ABANDONED DICTATORSHIP OF PROLETARIAT DOGMA, BECAUSE BELIEVE WAY TO POWER LIES IN USING DEMOCRATIC PROCESS, FORMING POPULAR FRONT WITH SOCIALISTS TO VOTE CONSERVATIVES OUT. FRENCH-JAPANESE COMMUNIQUE SINGLED OUT 'AMERICAN IMPERIALISM,' 'US-DOMINATED MNC'S, AS PRIME VILLAINS IN CAPITALIST WORLD. SPANISH-JAPANESE COMMUNIQUE CONDEMNED SOV 'BIG POWER CHAUVINISM; IN COMMUNIST CAMP. MARCHAIS BLASTED PEKING'S VIRULENT ANTI-SOV POLICY, DENUNCIATION OF DETENTE, APPROVAL US BASES EUR AND WGER 'REVANCHISM.' CARRILLO CRITICIZED PRC FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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PAST RELATIONS WITH FRANCO, CURRENT TIES CHILE AND ANTI-MARXISTS UNITA AND ANGOLA.

11. CHINA

SUN FINDS "CUTTING COINCIDENCE" THAT US 'TOSSING OUT HINTS OF POSSIBLE ARMS AID' TO PEKING JUST AS SOVIET IS IN PROCESS OF FORCING INTO EXILE ANDREI ARMALRIK, WHOSE SHOCKING ESSAY PICTURED SOVIET COLLAPSE AFTER LONG DEBILITATING NON-NUCLEAR WAR WITH PRC. NOTES AMALRIK THEORY THAT SINO-SOVIET HOSTILITY SO INTENSE AS TO PLACE "TWO SETS OF REINS IN THE HANDS OF US LEADERS'IF ONLY THEY WILL USE THEM. CITES SCHLESINGER/MANSFIELD ADVICE THAT MIL AID TO PEKING

NOT BE DISMISSED 'OUT OF HAND,' AND CONCLUDES THAT IN VIEW STRAIN IN US-SOVIET RELS, AMALRIK'S 'TWO-REINS THEORY' FOR US POLICY IN DEALING WITH PRC/SOVIET MAY SOON GAIN MORE ADHERENTS THAN KREMLIN WOULD LIKE.

STLP-D (4/11) CONCLUDES THAT DESPITE HUA/TENG SWITCH, PRC STILL CONSIDERS SOVIET ITS GREATEST THREAT TO SECURITY, SO IN ITS INTEREST TO DEVELOP BETTER RELS WITH US. IF THIS CASE, LITTLE FOR US BUT TRY IMPROVE RELS IF/WHEN OPPORTUNITIES ARISE.

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD (HK) CITES REPORTS FROM DIPLOMATS/TRAVELERS THAT POSTERS, WREATHS DEDICATED TO CHOU APPEARED LAST WEEK IN SUCH WIDELY SEPARATED PLACES AS NANKING, CANTON, TAIYUAN, EVEN SHANGHAI. SAYS HK ANALYSTS BELIEVE THESE WIDE'PREAD EXPRESSION OF FEELING FOR CHOU PROBABLY GENUINE IN ORIGIN, AND CHINESE AUTHORITIES AT FIRST DID NOT FORESEE TROUBLES THAT WERE TO DEVELOP. BUT OBSERVERS DEEPLY PUZZLED THAT NONE OF RADICALS HAS APPEARED PUBLICLY SINCE TENG'S OUSTER -- THESE WOULD INCLUDE CHANG CHUN-CHIAO, WANG HUNG-WEN, CHIANG CHING -- WHILE, AT SAME TIME, LARGE NUMBER MODERATES EITHER REAPPEARED AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS' ABSENCE OR TOOK UNUSUALLY PROMINENT ROLE IN RALLIES PRAISING POLITBURO'S ACTION. ONE LINE OF REASONING IS THAT LAST MONDAY'S EVENTS THREW PEKING'S UNCLASSIFIED

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LEADERS INTO STATE OF SHOCK, MADE LI HSIEN-NIEN, OTHERS, FEEL THEY HAD UNITE TO SAVE PARTY; BUT WHEN POLITBURO MET, MODERATES MAY HAVE MADE TOUGH DEMANDS FOR AGREEING TO TENG'S OUSTER, SUCH AS INSISTENCE RADICALS NOT HOLD PREMIERSHIP OR TOP PARTY SPOT NEXT TO MAO. SUGGESTS RADICALS' SUCCESS IN TOPPLING TENG MAY PROVE HOLLOW VICTORY, SINCE SENIOR BUREAUCRATS/PLA LEADERS WHO EXERCISE REAL POWER STILL OCCUPYING SAME SEATS.

WP'S GREENWAY, IN HK, SAYS FACT MANY REHABILITATED LEADERS HAVE BEEN IN FOREFRONT OF RALLIES PRAISING MAO, DENOUNCING TENG, LEADS ANALYSTS TO SUSPECT MODERATES MAY NOT BE THREATENED AFTER ALL. FINDS IT ALMOST APPEARS THESE OFFICIALS DELIBERATELY BEING PUSHED TO FORE TO DEMONSTRATE IT, LONG AS THEY EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR CHAIRMAN, CENTRAL CMTE.

PHINQ (4/12) CONCLUDES THAT SHIFTS IN CHINESE HIERARCHY DO NOT SEEM FORESHADOW ANY SHIFTS IN PRC FOPOLICY.

FEELS WHAT HAS HAPPENED MAY BE LESS 'CONVULSION' THAN STRUGGLE FOR PERSONAL POWER WHICH MAINLY DOMESTIC, AND SETTLED WITH "TYPICALLY CHINESE COMPROMISE."

12. INDOCHINA

DENVER POST (3/29) NOTES US MOVING TOWARD DIP CONTACTS WITH NVN. NOTES ISSUE STILL SENSITIVE, URGES MOVE BE SLOW, CAUTIOUS. ADVISES ADMIN EXPLAIN TO US PUBLIC WHAT HOPES GAIN THROUGH TALKS. BELIEVES MAIN REASON IS CONCERN FOR MIAS. RECOMMENDS ADMIN MAKE CLEAR TO HANOI THAT NOT BOUND BY C-F, SINCE NVN VIOLATED PACT. STATES REAPPROACH IN INDOCHINA MUST BE CLEARLY, OPENLY DEFINED.

13. THAILAND

CDN'S TAMARKIN (4/10-11) DESCRIBES FADING OF BOOM IN NKP AS GIS DEPARTED. QUOTES RTG THAT 100,000 WORKERS WILL BE AFFECTED DIRECTLY/INDIRECTLY BY US PULLOUT, DUE COMPLETED BY JULY 20. OPINES WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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DEPENDENTS, TOTAL WILL BE 500,000. SAYS 50,000 WHO MADE UP SERVICE, ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRIES MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED. OBSERVES IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL IMPACT IN OUTLYING AREAS, BUT ALREADY RIPPLE EFFECT IN BANGKOK, WHERE BLACK MARKET, RENTAL BUSINESS AFFECTED, AND CONSERVATIVE BACKLASH AGAINST TROOP WITHDRAWAL LED TO KUKRIT'S DEFEAT.

14. PHILIPPINES

JOC (4/13) APPROVES CONTINUING US REFUSAL ENDORSE COMMODITY STABILIZATION AGREEMENTS DESPITE 3RD WORLD CRITICISM. SEES POSSIBILITY MIDDLE-GROUND IN RECENT SUGAR-PURCHASE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN PHILS, 2 US FIRMS, THOUGH NOTES MANY DETAILS NOT DISCLOSED.

15. MARIANAS

SD UNION (3/20) CALLS ISLANDS STRATEGIC ASSET FOR US. BELIEVES WILL BE SELF-SUPPORTING WITHIN DECADE. REBUTS CRITICISM THAT MAKING INTO COMMONWEALTH IS COLONIALISM, SINCE OVER 75 PCT OF RESIDENTS VOTED FOR ARRANGEMENT.

16. NEW ZEALAND

HEARST'S FREIDEN (BALTO N-A 4/12) DOES BACKGROUNDER ON PM MULDOON. LIKENS SOME VIEWS TO THOSE OF FORMER AMB MOYNIHAN. NOTES HE ALSO SERVES AS FINANCE MIN, HEAD NZ INTELL SERVICE.. FINDS HIM STRONGLY PRO-US.

17. LOS

AS PRES FORD PREPARED SIGN NEW 200-MILE FISHERIES
ZONE BILL TUESDAY, WP (4/13) CLAIMED TOO LITTLE ATTENTION
PAID ONE FEATURE -- LICENSES FEES TO BECHARGED
DOMESTIC WELL ASFOREIGN FISHERMEN. NOTES HOUSE
VERSION OF BILL THAT WILL BE SIGNED INTO LAW PROVIDES
ONLY NOMINAL LICENSE FEES. URGES RECONSIDERATION
REJECTED SENATE VERSION, THAT WOULD HAVE PROVIDED
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FEES 'APPROPRIATE TO THE VALUE OF THE LICENSE.' SAYS
NO REASON, HOWEVER DISTRESSED US FISHING INDUSTRY
MAY BE, GIVE IT BILLIONS DOLS WORTH NEW RESOURCES
CREATED BY LAW. CALLS FOR MORE EQUITABLE SPLIT BETWEEN
FISHERMEN AND SOCIETY AT LARGE.

18. GENERAL

IN LTR TO NYT, AFSC'S KNIGHT CRITICIZES BOSTON'S
RECEPTION SECSTATE, BESTOWAL AWARD BY WORLD AFFAIRS
COUNCIL. CALLS HAK ARCHITECT SECRET WARS LAOS,
CAMBODIA, ADVOCATE XMAS BOMBING NVN. CALLS SK'S
PARK FAVORITE OF SECSTATE, PRES; RECIPIENT ECON,
MIL AID. STATES PHILS, INDONESIA PRESENT ;DREARY
REPETITION" ON DESTRUCTION HUMAN, CIVIL RIGHTS; ALSO
RECEIVE US AID. CONCLUDES WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL
VIEWS HUMAN RIGHTS AS TOO INSIGNIFICANT TO DISTURB
HAK'S GRAND DESIGN OF WORLD CARVED INTO DUAL SPHERES
US, USSR CONTROL.

WP'S HOAGLAND (4/11), IN PARIS, SAYS US HAS AGREED
WITH MAJOR INDUSTRIAL TRADING PARTNERS, IN OECD,
ON INTL CODE BUSINESS ETHICS THAT FORBIDS, BUT DOES
NOT PUNISH, MNC BRIBERY OF FOREIGN OFFICIALS. DUE
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